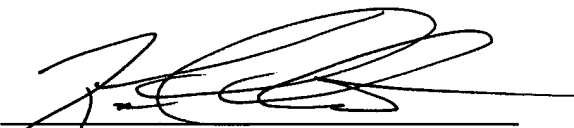


REMARKS

Claims 12-16 and 23-43 were pending in the application and have been canceled without prejudice. New claims 44-60 have been added to provide Applicants with claim coverage commensurate with the scope of the invention. Reconsideration and early allowance of claims 44-60 are respectfully requested.

Respectively submitted,
Peter B. Kessler, et al.

Date: May 24, 1999

By: 
Kory D. Christensen
Reg. No. 43,548
Attorney for Applicants
Fenwick & West LLP
Two Palo Alto Square
Palo Alto, CA 94306
TEL: (650) 858-7657
FAX: (650) 494-1417